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## **State Barbecue Champion Named at the Commissioner's Cup BBQ Cook-off and Festival**

**COLUMBIA**– The 5<sup>th</sup> annual Commissioner's Cup BBQ Cook-off and Festival named a new State Barbecue Champion on Saturday, March 19. The South Carolina Department of Agriculture (SCDA) hosted this competition at the State Farmers Market, where 47 teams competed for the Grand Champion title in Boston Butts and pork rib categories.

2016 Winners and awards:

Grand Champion (State title): Creek Mill BBQ- Ryan Livingston, North, SC  
\$600

Reserve Champion: Templar Temptations-Bradley Jeffs, Hephzibah, GA  
\$300

Boston Butts:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Blowin Smoke LLC-Robert Morris, Columbia, SC  
\$1,000

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Creek Mill BBQ- Ryan Livingston, North, SC  
\$600

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Bobo's Que- Bobby Owens, Clayton, NC  
\$300

Pork Ribs:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Templar Temptations-Bradley Jeffs, Hephzibah, GA  
\$1,000

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Pork Fat Rules- Luke Pye, Inman, SC  
\$600

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Razorback BBQ- Jason Peterson, Summerville, SC  
\$300

Peoples' Choice Award: Smokin Gringos- Mike Bastin, Goose Creek, SC

In addition to a cash prize, winners in all categories of the Commissioner's Cup received trophies. The cook-off was sanctioned by the Southern Barbecue Network. For more information on next year's cook-off, contact Elizabeth Shuler at [eshuler@scda.sc.gov](mailto:eshuler@scda.sc.gov) or 803-734-0328.

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Creek Mill BBQ of North, SC took home the Grand Champion title from the 2016 Commissioner's Cup BBQ Cook-off and Festival.